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The British evacuation of Somaliland was announced on March 22nd and on April 3rd a wire from Aden reported that the MULLAH had slaughtered eight hundred belonging to friendly tribes and that the friendly tribes were fleeing towards the coast. The two events must be regarded as related. The Blue Book on Somaliland issued on March 22nd showed that the Government had decided to evacuate the interior of Somaliland, confining occupation to Berbera and possibly temporarily to Zella and Bulhar by small garrisons, and that withdrawal would commence forthwith. The Somali battalion of the African Rifles was to be disbanded, and the friendly tribes were to be armed to enable them to defend themselves against the MULLAH. Apparently the British evacuation has proved too great a temptation for the MULLAH to resist, and he has resumed his old baneful activities, with the result that the comparative state of peace which the country had learned to enjoy is no longer possible. It is now shown that the friendly tribes are not able to defend themselves against this warrior chief and his host of fanatical followers. He has slaughtered 800 friendly, captured large quantities of cattle, and has sent the remainder of the friendly tribes fleeing to the coast for protection. But this is not an isolated act. The previous raiding, which Indian papers report, were on a gigantic scale, as many as 3,000 camels being

"lifted" on one occasion, and those successful coups were beyond doubt conceived in the busy brain of HAJI MAHOMED BIN ABDULLAH, who has acquired all the elusiveness and elusiveness of a De Wae. His raids show to what perfection that work may be carried, and it is safe to say that no other Somali chief is capable of organising raids of such dimensions or carrying them through to a successful termination. The problem to-day for the British authorities in Somaliland is much the same as it has been any time during the last ten years, with the exception, perhaps, of the eighteen months or so in which it suited the MULLAH to recuperate himself and his following in the allotted region between Ras Gerad and Ras Gabbe. It will be remembered that the military operations conducted by the British in Somaliland ceased in May, 1905, when the expeditionary force was withdrawn, and the protection of the country devolved on local troops. By arrangement with Italy the MULLAH placed himself under Italian guidance and received a tract of country within the Italian Protectorate. But the spirit of HAJI MAHOMED BIN ABDULLAH is too restless to remain at peace with his neighbours, and it looks as if the old trouble would be renewed and another expeditionary force sent to punish him. An Allahabad journal sums up the situation in the following words: "We have poured out our money on Somaliland, but we have brought it no lasting peace. We have left the MULLAH severely alone and we have severely retaliated upon him. We have caught him fairly in our toils once, at Jinbali; he has given us a taste of his fighting quality at Erigo and Gumburru. Yet whether we engage in an expedition costing close on two millions or pursue for a time a policy of masterly inactivity, the result in the end is much the same. HAJI MAHOMED BIN ABDULLAH remains a factor that cannot be ignored, and while that restless being harries the friendly tribes at will one cannot expect the country as a whole to acquire the restful condition of lands where the principles of *meum* and *tuum* receive due recognition. Not that the Somali of the interior, with all the disturbing elements of his nomadic life, has ever enjoyed the experience of a thoroughly peaceful existence, the ever-recurring necessity for a change to pastures new and the constant overlapping of tribes that it is almost apart altogether from the intervention of fanatical Mullahs.

British politics have reached what may almost be described as an exciting stage. The House of Commons passed on Thursday the first of the series of resolutions aimed at extinguishing the veto of the House of Lords, that which seeks to disable them from rejecting or amending money bills, and the Government hope to pass the others, which are also directed to limiting the veto of the Upper Chamber, by next Thursday. The programme is certainly ambitious, but its fulfilment does not inspire us with hope. The House of Lords can scarcely be expected to subscribe to its death warrant, but that is what the Government is trying to accomplish. Should the Upper Chamber decline to be "sterilised," then the Government will not proceed with the Budget, and all power to carry on the ordinary business of the country is to come to an end. The whole apparatus of the state will be brought to a standstill—that is the method by which the Government hope to pistol the Lords into submitting to its will to the temporary party majority of the House of Commons. This is described as securing the control of the House of Commons over the Executive, but it is obviously destroying the control of the House of Commons over its own business. Admitting that the present Government has received a mandate to pass its revolutionary Budget, it does not follow that it has been empowered to render nugatory the House of Lords and to present the country with a brand new constitution in which the government is entrusted to a single chamber. Yet that is practically the claim of the present Administration, who decline to make the necessary arrangements for carrying on the business of the nation. They refuse to present the Budget unless a certain course, which they have no authority to demand, is adopted. This may be politics, but it is not the action of patriotic men. The country will no doubt survive the shock, when it comes, but it will at the same time be able to fix the responsibility for the gratuitous and unnecessary confusion and the election, if hastened as threatened, will perhaps not be an unmitigated evil if it brings to a close the period of uncertainty which has surrounded government procedure since last January.

H.M.S. Bedford returned to port yesterday from Mira Bay.

The German Mail of the 9th March was delivered in London on the 7th inst.

Mr. J. W. Bolles, general manager of the Standard Oil Company in the East, has proceeded to Manila on business.

The flagship of the British Squadron, H.S.M. *Minotaur*, leaves to-day for target practice at Mira Bay.

An interesting account of his journey to London via Siberia by Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson appears on page 5.

At the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., the master of the steam launch *Yvonne* was fined \$20 for disregarding the rules of the road.

We are asked to state that the Rev. J. A. A. Baker has received from H. E. the Governor and H. E. Major-General Broadwood \$50 each for the Renovation Fund of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home.

H. M. *ing Atlas*, which has been erected in Hongkong, arrived at Singapore from Chatham and way ports, on the 31st ult., en route to Hongkong. She is a vessel of only 95 tons nett and carries a crew of 23 men. She left Chatham on January 18.

The ex-pupil of the Diocesan School who was remanded on a charge of stealing two pairs of trousers from that institution again appeared before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday, when he was bound over in the sum of \$100 to come up for judgment when called upon.

Before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday a rent collector was charged with larceny as a bullock of \$498.40. Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) appeared for the prosecution, and the case was remanded until Thursday next, bail being allowed in the sum of \$1,000.

It is interesting to note from the water return that despite the long drought the water in the city and hill district reservoirs is even more than at the same period last year. There were on April 1st 28,187,000 gallons as against 28,754,000 last year. The same applies to Yvonne, where the storage now is 191,500,000 gallons, as compared with 129,367,000 last year.

Cebu is now declared to be Manila's rival. Rice dealers are underselling Manila merchants in the provinces of Southern Luzon on the Pacific coast and in parts of Samar, which heretofore have been considered strictly Manila territory, this by reason of the superior loading and discharging facilities at Cebu and the fact that cargo can be handled at that port much cheaper than at Manila.

A Chinese man named a seaman from Chungshan Island before Mr. E. R. Hallifax at the Magistrate's yesterday on a charge of being in possession of a revolver without a permit. The Sergeant explained, however, that he believed that the revolver was placed in the seaman's home by an enemy, and his Worship discharged the man with a caution, and confiscated the revolver.

About a week ago two men who were taking part in a gambling game at a house in Centre Street quarrelled, and one stabbed the other with a knife five times, inflicting such injuries that the victim had to be removed to hospital. The assailant was charged before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday with cutting and wounding, and on the offence being proved he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Some two years ago a Chinese obtained 900 rounds of ammunition from Messrs. W. Schmidt & Co. by means of a false order purporting to be signed by Mr. D. Souza, of Messrs. Barretto & Company. With this ammunition he left the Colony, and is supposed to have returned a few days ago. Detective-Sergeant Grant arrested a man on suspicion of the larceny on Thursday, and the suspect was charged before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday and remanded.

The new form of oath was much in evidence at the Magistrate's yesterday during the hearing of an assault case in which all the witnesses were Europeans. A sailor who entered the witness-stand had the wording of the oath read over to him by the interpreter, and then his Worship said, "Say, 'I swear by Almighty God,' with the Bible in your right hand." The witness then concluded the oath as follows, "I swear by Almighty God, with the Bible in my right hand."

LANDING OF THE AMERICAN ADMIRAL.

Early yesterday morning Rear-Admiral J. Hubbard, the Commander-in-Chief of the American Asiatic Fleet, accompanied by Commanders J. H. Gibbons, of the U.S.S. *Charleston*, H. Holman, of the *Cleveland*, and J. D. McDonald, of the *Chattanooga*, landed at Bluff Point to pay a visit to His Excellency the Governor. A guard of honour drawn from the Buffs, and under the command of Captain Groves-Baines, was lined up opposite the pier in Connaught Road. As the visitors stepped ashore the band played "The Star Spangled Banner," and they were welcomed to Hongkong by Captain Mitchell-Taylor, A.D.C., and by Mr. W. A. Babbie, the American Consul-General. After inspecting the guard Admiral Hubbard and his party took chairs for Government House, where they were received by His Excellency the Governor. Sir Frederick Lugard returned the call in the afternoon.

TELEGRAMS.

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DYNAMITE EXPLOSION AT KOBE.

Tokyo, April 8th.
As a lighter laden with several thousand cases of dynamite was being towed out of Kobe an explosion occurred outside the harbour, causing widespread destruction.

The area of destruction extended seven miles. The gasworks and brewery were seriously damaged and minor damage was suffered by innumerable houses in the vicinity.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

THE PEKING SENSATION.

PEKING, April 8th.
The Prince Regent has decided to increase his body guard as well as the guard at his Imperial palace.

[REUTERS' SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

THE VETO.

LONDON, April 7th.
In the House of Commons a quiet debate took place in committee on the first Veto Resolution. A feature was the oratorical duel between Mr. Haldane and Mr. Austen Chamberlain, the former emphatically urging the necessity for the reform of the House of Lords.LONDON, April 8th.
The first Veto Resolution disabling the House of Lords from rejecting or amending money bills has been carried by 339 votes to 237.

REVOLT IN TURKEY.

LONDON, April 7th.
The new taxes imposed, and thirty-six hours' heavy fighting with Turkish troops took place near Prishtina. (Prishtina in Roumelia.) Martial law has been proclaimed. Large reinforcements are being sent.

The revolt is ascribed to the intrigues of reactionaries.

PRESIDENT TAFT'S DISPLEASURE.

LONDON, April 7th.
A Reuter's wire from Washington states that President Taft has cancelled his proposed visit to Indianapolis, owing to the attitude of the Indian Republican Convention in adopting a platform adverse to the new tariff.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

LONDON, April 8th.
The imports for the month of March show an increase of £6,106,928, of which £4,000,000 represent raw materials. The exports have increased by £2,486,885, made up chiefly by electrical apparatus, and cotton, wool, silk and steel manufactures.

DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, April 8th.
Signor Tittoni, the former Minister for Foreign Affairs in Italy, has been appointed Italian Ambassador to France.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

LONDON, April 8th.
Reuter's correspondent at Cairo telegraphs that the Egyptian General Assembly has rejected the Government proposals for the renewal of the Suez Canal concession.

"LIANDISILLOGOGO."

One of the questions on the paper of the House of Commons the other day related to "Cyrenayon Farm, in the parish of Liandisillogogo."
Sir E. Strachey, Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, having given his answer, Mr. P. O'Brien asked, "Will the hon. member tell us in what parish this farm is situated?" Sir Edward declined to be lured into an attempt to pronounce the name, and as the Chancellor of the Exchequer was not present to assist him, Mr. O'Brien's question was not answered.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, April 8th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

Before His Honour Mr. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PUNISH JUDGE).

ANOTHER JUDGMENT AGAINST A CINEMATOGRAPH PROPRIETOR.

A. Almazoff, the proprietor of the Salon-Cinema Theatre in Wyndham Street, was proceeded against by Mohedin Thaka for the recovery of \$145 due for goods sold and delivered.

Defendant admitted the debt, and judgment was entered against him.

A TAILOR'S CLAIM.

Ah Men, Hing Cheong & Co. sued a clerk named Chu Ki to recover \$15 due for goods supplied.

Defendant consented to judgment, but asked for a stay of execution for a week.

His Lordship—What are you?

Defendant—A clerk.

His Lordship—Where are you employed?

Defendant—With Johnston & Co.

His Lordship—What is your salary?

Defendant—\$20 a month.

His Lordship—Are you married?

Defendant—Yes.

His Lordship—Why do you want a stay for a week?

Defendant—I do not get my pay until the 15th of the month.

His Lordship—Can't you get an advance?

Defendant—No.

In reply to his Lordship plaintiff said he was not willing to wait, as he had been put off so often when he applied for payment.

His Lordship entered judgment and costs for the plaintiff, but informed them that it would be no use selling the defendant up, as he was not likely to run away.

PROMISSORY NOTE CLAIM.

His Lordship delivered his reserved decision in the action brought by Leung Wing Tong against Ho Shun and others to recover \$500 due under a promissory note. In entering judgment for the plaintiff he said there was no doubt the money was given in the firm name, and a signed for by the firm's shop. Because a particular partner took no active interest in the business, that did not free him from liability.

STOWAWAYS ON THE S.S. "AYMERIC."

Twenty-eight Chinese were charged before Mr. E. R. Hallifax at the Magistrate's yesterday with stowing away on the steamer *Aymeric* bound for Japan and America.

Mr. H. J. Gedge (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master) appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. F. X. d'Almeida Castro (of Messrs. Almeida & Smith) appeared for the defendants.

Sergeant A. Davis of the Water Police informed the Court that he boarded the *Aymeric* about 3 p.m. on Thursday and asked the captain to muster all the crew and passengers on deck. They were mustered, and when the captain informed him that the number was correct he proceeded to the after store-room situated under the poop at the stern of the ship. The door was closed, but not locked. On entering witness found the twenty-eight defendants in different parts of the store-room. Some were in the coal, while others were under bags or concealed in other parts. The captain and agent accompanied witness on this search. The defendants were arrested and taken to the Tsimshatsi Police Station.

In cross-examination the sergeant said that the crew were not dismissed until the defendants had been placed on the police launch. Witness asked how they got into the store-room, but they would not tell him. Had they given him the information in Sunning or Cantonese he would have understood.

Mr. J. G. S. Gansden, an assistant in Messrs. Dodwell & Co., the agents for the Bank Line of steamers, stated that the crew were checked in his presence, and were complete according to the articles, and there were eight steerage and four saloon passengers on board. The prisoners were not in the store-room with the consent of the owners, and neither the owners nor agents had granted them passage tickets, while none of them had paid their passage money. There was a penalty of not less than \$500 or not more than \$1,000 gold for Chinese imported into America without the leave of the Authorities, while in Canada there was a poll tax of \$500 gold.

In cross-examination witness said that he made no inquiries as to where the defendants intended to go. Chinese passengers did not get on board first and then pay their passages. After hearing further evidence his Worship sentenced each of the defendants to three months' imprisonment with hard labour without the option of a fine.

THE STAMP CRAZE.

The throng at the Post Office continues daily and the receipts are augmented each day by about \$800 in copper cents. This average has been maintained for five or six weeks, and it is calculated that of the seven lakhs of copper cents issued by the Colonial Government some four lakhs have been received through the Post Office. Therefore if the remainder is to be used in this way it will be several weeks before the total passes into Government control. That the speculators will continue their purchases with a silver currency is doubtful, and the extraordinary demand for stamps will cease in due course.

The stamps for which there are such a phenomenal demand are not one cent stamps as understood by most people but the five cent receipt stamps. It was feared that the supply might soon be exhausted but we gather that the new supply has not yet been touched.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

April 7th.

THE CHING MING FESTIVAL.
The Ching Ming Festival was celebrated here yesterday with all the usual rites and ceremonies. For some days past the passenger junks and trains have been carrying very large numbers of persons into the country, there to repair and worship the tombs of their ancestors. The boats from Hongkong have also had very large numbers of passengers from the Colony returning to their native places. Outside the North Gate of the City there are large numbers of graves, and all day yesterday hundreds of people visited them and burnt joss paper and fired crackers. The military road leading from the East Gate was thronged with a great concourse of people going out to the villages in that vicinity, and the junks who infer that part must have made quite a good thing in "coushaws." All the schools and colleges are closed, and there will be no issue of the native Press until to-morrow.

A BIG FIRE.

A big fire broke out at about 11 p.m. on Monday night in Tsung Chung Street near the South Gate. The alarm was at once given, but the flames had obtained a good hold before the brigade could get to work. In spite of the efforts of the brigade and neighbours the house was completely gutted and nine surrounding houses were totally destroyed. Happily no lives were lost.

A MADMAN.

A man named Chan Ah Yuen had for some time been employed in a weaving factory, but was discharged, as it was thought he was insane. On his way home through the western suburbs he suddenly became furious, and snatched up a knife from a brother's shop near by, and at once began to attack the passers-by. Two men were seriously wounded and had to be treated by the Red Cross Society. The madman was at last overpowered and taken to the police station, where he said the wounded men had mocked him, and that he had assaulted them in consequence. As his talk appeared to be rational the police officer dispatched him to the Nam Hai Magistrate's Yamen, where he will be tried when the wounded men are well enough to give evidence against him.

ROW AT A BOARDING-HOUSE.

Two days ago there was great excitement in the Cheung Fat boarding-house. A boarder returned to the house after taking a walk, and as soon as he got to his room, loudly complained that \$290 had been taken from a box. A foki ran upstairs to see what was the matter and when he heard what the boarder had to say he (the foki) at once severely assaulted him. He then ran downstairs shouting "Thief, thief!" and other foks came and drove the boarder into the street. Here he was met by several police, who gave him a further beating, and took him to No. 8 Police Station. All the parties were brought before the officer in charge, and then it was found that the story of the stolen \$290 was a myth. The foki proved that when the man first came to the house he deposited \$18 with the proprietor for safe keeping. Beyond this he had no money, and he said his money was stolen as a ruse to extort more from the boarding-house. In view of the severe handling he had received the officer directed that he should be discharged after his \$18 had been refunded to him.

MACAO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

April 7th.

UNLESS WORKS.

The Government is about to undertake the enlargement of the small shelter dock, opposite the old opium house, but for what purpose? Considerable excavation will be required, but the advantage of it is not apparent. Several years ago thousands of dollars were spent in dredging this shelter, and in a few months the mud had accumulated and the work was rendered nugatory. Public opinion inclines to the belief that the area should be reclaimed and given over to the Chinese for an open space where they could enjoy the summer evenings. The money which was intended to be applied to the enlargement of the shelter should be devoted to repaving the sea walls and prolonging the Praya with a view to allowing the Steamboat Company to construct new wharves.

BANK FAILURE.

The well-known Chinese bank "Si-fong" has closed its doors. The run was so great that the proprietor could not meet the payments and had to file his petition in bankruptcy.

EXCITING CHASE AFTER A THIEF.

While Constable Ogg was on duty in Des Vaux Road on Thursday night his attention was directed to the suspicious movements of two Chinese on the other side of the street. Both men were standing alongside a cigar stall, and as he watched the policeman saw one man mount the shoulders of the other, lean over some bamboo work which surrounded the stall, and extract four boxes of cigars, with which they were moving off when the constable approached them. One man dashed up a stairway and the policeman, after blowing his whistle to attract attention to the other runaway, followed. When the constable was close on his heels the thief broke through the partition of a cubicle and succeeded in gaining the roof. Constable Ogg kept him in sight, however, and a race followed along the roofs of a block of houses. When the pursuer thought he had his quarry cornered, the thief got clear once more by climbing down a pipe into a ground floor wall. Here, however, he was secured by the occupants of the floor and held until the policeman descended the stairs and secured him. On being charged before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday he was sent to goal for one month.

MARINERS AT VARIANCE.

A HOTEL BAR QUARREL.

Mr. E. R. Halifax was engaged some little time at the Magistrate's yesterday hearing a summons brought by Captain J. Medley against Captain A. Jenkins of the s.s. *Taiwan*.

Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon, from the office of Mr. R. A. Harding, appeared for the complainant, and Mr. M. Reader Harris, of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist, represented defendant.

Mr. Dixon informed the Court that on the 7th March his client was in the private bar of the Hongkong Hotel sitting at the table having a drink when the defendant came up and apparently without provocation struck him a blow on the mouth. The complainant asked the barman to get a policeman, but the latter could not do so, as he was busy. Complainant then washed himself, went to the Police Station, and laid this charge.

Captain Medley, called and sworn, said he was a master mariner employed. Between seven and eight p.m. on the 9th March he was having a refreshment by himself in the private bar of the Hongkong Hotel after having had supper at the Owl Grill Room. The defendant came into the bar, approached him, and witness was under the impression that he was going to speak to him about something. Instead of that he closed his fist and drove at him, striking him on the jaw, breaking a tooth, and driving two others into his lip.

Witness got up and asked him why he did it. He replied, "You are right up against me." Complainant had an idea what his intention was, but he went out to the lavatory and washed himself as his mouth was full of blood, and his hands were covered with it. Then he asked the bar-tender, Mr. Thompson, to get a policeman, which the latter refused to do, his reason apparently being that he did not want to have anybody arrested on the premises. Witness then went out himself to get a policeman, but when he returned the defendant had disappeared. It might be imagined that he was the worse for liquor, but he was not. He was very excited.

In cross-examination complainant said the last ship he was on was the *Aline Wermann*. Prior to this he was on the *Hoi Ming*, which was Chinese owned. He left that berth because he did not approve of the Chinese methods.

Were you in the Hongkong Hotel yesterday morning?—I don't think it has anything to do with this case.

Were you drunk yesterday morning in the hotel bar?—I was not.

But you were in there?—Yes.

Proceeding, witness said he had supper at the Owl Grill Room on the previous night at about a quarter-past seven. He was sitting down when the defendant struck him, and he had not spoken to Captain Jenkins prior to being struck. There were five friends of his in the bar and there must have been thirty people there at the time of the occurrence. He had been seventeen years a master, but had never had a command on the China coast, where he had been for some seven years.

Why haven't you got a command on the China coast?—There are lots of people looking for commands here, but they cannot get them.

I put it to you that before this happened you had a conversation with Captain Jenkins?—I never spoke to him.

Do you owe him any money?—I do not. He owes me money.

I also put it to you that prior to this blow you lounged at the defendant and attempted to strike him?—I did not.

His Worship—When you have an idea as to the cause of the trouble do you mean it was with regard to the ten dollars he says you owe him, or the twenty you say he owes you?—No. I am a witness against him in another case that is pending.

His Worship—What is the case?—A slander action in the Summary Court. He knows perfectly well what the case is.

His Worship—How did the defendant know you were a witness?—I don't know. He saw me in company with persons on the other side.

The third engineer of the *Zepiro* spoke to being in the private bar of the Hongkong Hotel on the night of 7th March. He saw complainant and walk into the bar and was in the company of Captain Jenkins and some friends at the time.

The defendant left that company and he next saw Captain Medley bleeding from the mouth. There was an argument between them as to a money matter. Captain Jenkins accused Captain Medley of owing him ten dollars, while Captain Medley said that the defendant owed him twenty dollars. Complainant then said he had been assaulted by Captain Jenkins, and the latter threatened to hit him again. Others sitting at the table took Captain Jenkins away.

Cross-examined by Mr. Harris:

There were three police in the bar when the assault occurred and they took no steps to arrest the defendant?—No.

Was Captain Medley walking about the bar shouting for a policeman?—No, he asked Mr. Thompson to get one.

Was he the worse for liquor?—I don't think so.

Why didn't the policeman take any notice?—I couldn't tell you.

If a man was walking about the bar half-drunken with blood all over his face and hands surely the police should have taken some steps?—I was told there were three police there.

Mr. F. Thompson, bar-tender at the Hongkong Hotel, stated that he was called into the bar between ten o'clock and a quarter-past ten on the night of March 7th. Captain Medley asked him to go and get a policeman as he had been struck by Captain Jenkins. Witness told the complainant that he would have to call the police himself, as he had not seen the assault. Complainant's under lip was slightly swollen.

In cross-examination, witness said Captain Medley had been drinking and was not strictly sober.

Complainant and the defendant had an argument about some money, but the former did not go out to call a policeman. Neither complainant nor the defendant were in the bar between seven and eight o'clock that evening and nothing in connection with the present charge happened at that time.

This closed the case for the complainant. Mr. Harris for the defence said that his client was quite prepared to go the length of saying that he struck Captain Medley. He was going to give evidence and to call witnesses to prove that the complainant attempted to strike him and that he struck Captain Medley a blow on the mouth in self-defence. He was also going to prove that Captain Medley was intoxicated at the time and that this was more or less a trumped-up case. It was a case in which he could have issued a cross-summons, but he had not done so. The two parties should have gone outside and finished it altogether instead of bringing the whole thing before the public.

Captain Jenkins stated that he had been a master mariner for 28 or 30 years and had been in command for 20 years. He had only been fourteen months on the China coast when he secured a command. He was now master of the *Taiwan* and had never been discharged from a ship. On the night of March 7th he was in the private bar of the Hongkong Hotel at about ten o'clock or a little later. Shortly afterwards Capt. Medley entered by himself. Witness said that the complainant was under the influence of liquor and thought he might as well try to get his money back. Witness asked for it and Captain Medley told him to go away and wait.

The complainant was standing up at the time and made a blow at him which he eluded and struck in self-defence. After that the complainant kept running round the bar and singing out for a policeman, but no one took any notice of him. The complainant kept annoying him and witness told him to go away as he did not want to cause any further disturbance. In cross-examination witness said that Captain Medley's mouth was bleeding, but he did not think he had given him a nasty knock. Where does the self-defence come in?—He attempted to strike me.

Why didn't you walk away?—I am not such a cur as that.

And you say he was under the influence of liquor?—Yes.

Then why did you go up and ask him for money?—Because he was having a good time with part of my money and that annoyed me. You knew he was a witness in a slander action pending against you?—I did not.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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MAGISTRACY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MEETING of the LICENSING BOARD will be held in the COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE at 4 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 12th day of April, 1910, for the purpose of considering the following application for the Liquor Licences Ordinances, 1898-1909, viz.: From one RICHARD FRANCIS DALL for a Publican's Licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises Nos. 29 and 31, Des Vaux Road Central, under the sign of "THE OWL CLUB ROOMS." Applicant is at present the holder of an Adjunct Licence on the same premises. G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary to the Licensing Board. Hongkong, 5th April, 1910. [515]

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB SECOND ANNUAL DINNER.

MEMBERS are Reminded that the ANNUAL DINNER will take place at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 30th April. Members are requested to notify the Hon. Secretary on or before WEDNESDAY, 27th April, if they intend to be present. T. CHIEE, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 9th April 1910. [516]

FOR TSINGTAU AND WLADEWOSTOCK.

THE Steamship "ANDALUSIA" will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 12th April, 1910, A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 9th April, 1910. [517]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

Captain Gristman, having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous grounds of the Hongkong and Wharves and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned. Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given before TUESDAY. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th inst. will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst., at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 8th April, 1910. [518]

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CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 84.

MARK BUOY FOR SOUTHERN EXTREMITY OF SNEAKER PASSAGE, IRON BARRIER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a BLACK BUOY exhibiting a GREEN LIGHT from Sunset to Sunrise has been placed at the Southern extremity of the Sneaker Passage, Iron Barrier, over the spot where the former light-pole was situated. FRANK HARRIS, Acting Deputy Coast Inspector and Harbour Master. IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS, Harbour Master's Office, Canton, 4th April, 1910. Approved: J. JOLESEN, Commissioner of Customs. [506]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, 1910, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring Dividends. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 3rd April to the 13th April, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [450]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH YEARLY ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, 1910, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring Dividends. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 3rd April to 13th April, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [451]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the Head Office, No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on THURSDAY, the 21st April, 1910, at 4 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 31st December, 1909, the election of Directors and Auditors for the current year, and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 21st day of April, both days inclusive. Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with the Secretary for Registration at least forty-eight hours before the Meeting. By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary. Shanghai, 29th March, 1910. [489]

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificate No. N. S. 2494 dated Hongkong 1st April, 1898, for Ten Shares, numbered 53365 to 53374 inclusive and Certificate No. N. S. 2823 dated Hongkong 14th October, 1898, for Forty Shares numbered 9230 to 9239, 56849 to 56853, 57302 to 57305, 65645 to 65646, 66448, 61160 to 61161 and 47436 to 47495 inclusive, all registered in the name of MATIAS SAEZ DE VIOLEMAN Y LACAROS, have been LOST or STOLEN, and should these Certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 30th April, 1910, new Certificates for the Shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. N. S. 2494 and N. S. 2823 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void. By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [479]

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INTIMATIONS

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned carrying on business as SHARE AND GENERAL BROKERS at No. 5, Queen's Road, Central, Victoria, under the Style or Firm of "VERNON & SMYTH" has been dissolved and the Interest and Responsibility of the undersigned JOHN YARDLEY VERNON VERNON in the said Firm has ceased as from the 31st March, 1910. All debts due to and owing by the late Firm of VERNON & SMYTH will be received and paid respectively by the undersigned FRANK SMYTH, who will continue to carry on the said business under the Style or Firm of "VERNON & SMYTH." Dated the 1st day of April, 1910. J. Y. V. VERNON. F. SMYTH. 4807

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AUCTIONS

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE. PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT has instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, On THURSDAY, the 14th day of April, 1910, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Auction Room in Duddell Street, THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES. Comprising 40 HOUSES, Nos. 1 to 19 (inclusive) PRATA KENNEDY TOWN, Nos. 1 to 39 (odd numbers only) BELCHERS ST. and No. 1... COLLINSON STREET, VICTORIA, HONGKONG. To be Sold in TEN LOTS.

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No. 3, CANTON VILLAS, Kowloon. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [325]

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"THE GROVE," MACDONNELL ROAD, Hongkong, 8-Roomed House, fitted with Electric Traction, from 1st May, 1910. Apply to—PERCY SMITH & SETH. Hongkong, 11th January, 1910. [159]

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR of No. 4, Des Vaux Road, recently vacated by Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders. In No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria Building, Rooms suitable for Offices. One GODOWN in MASON'S LANE. Apply to—DAVID SASSOON & Co., LTD. Hongkong, 8th March, 1910. [95]

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 4, Praya, Kennedy Town. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [90]

TO LET.

OFFICES in Des Vaux Road, Central. Apply to—Messrs. PERCY SMITH & SETH, 5, Queen's Road. Hongkong, 22nd March, 1910. [440]

TO LET.

King's BUILDINGS. OFFICES facing the Harbour from about October at present in occupation of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [89]

TO LET.

NOS. 19, 23 and 25, SHELLEY STREET, new 5-Roomed Houses. ROOMS, in No. 15 and 17A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 1st Floor. From 1st May, 1910, No. 4, ICE HOUSE STREET, now in occupation of the Nippon Club. No. 3, DES VEAUX VILLAS, PRATA. Newly done up. Nos. 19 and 23, BELLIOS TERRACE, newly painted and colour-treated, cheap rental. No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Top Floor, 5 ROOMS. BISHOP'S LODGE SOUTH (unfurnished), from 15th April for 1 or 2 years. Furnished for 9 Months from 1st April, 3 Century Crescent, Kennedy Road, 5 ROOMS, well furnished, including Piano. No. 9, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE (Shop). BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, 1 Room on 1st Floor, suitable for Office. PREMISES at SHAMSHUI, CANTON, lately in occupation of the Canton Kowloon Railway. CHELTONDALE (unfurnished), No. 103, Peak, 1st April to 1st October, 1910. LADBROKE, No. 9, Conduit Road, from 1st May, 1910. No. 3A, DUDDELL ST., 1st Floor, lofty Godown, about 50 feet by 36 feet. FOR SALE—Tou Canet, at Peak, commanding a magnificent view of the Harbour and Adjacent Islands. Apply to—L. INSTEAD & DAVIS, 3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings. Hongkong, 2nd April, 1910. [91]

TO LET

TO LET.—MODERATE RENTS.

SEMI-EUROPEAN FLATS, Praya East, corner of Observation Place. The Tram stop at the door. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [355]

TO LET.

No. 1, OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kowloon. From 1st April next. Furnished or Unfurnished. Apply to—ABRATON V. APOAR & Co., 14, Des Vaux Road, Central. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910. [363]

TO LET.

No. 4, BARROW TERRACE, Kowloon. Apply to—SPANISH DOMINICAN PROCUATION. Hongkong, 10th March, 1910. [383]

INSURANCE

NORTH-BRITISH AND MERICAN-TILE INSURANCE COMPANY. WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO. TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1909, £19,121,310.

I. Authorized Capital ... £6,000,000 Subscribed Capital ... 3,275,000 Paid-up Capital ... 1,212,500 0 0 II. Fire Funds ... 3,204,753 7 10 The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and MARINE at Current Rates. SHEWAN TOMES & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 15th January, 1909. [908]

BANKS

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP ... Gold \$3,250,000, = about Mex. \$7,222,222 RESERVE FUND ... Gold \$3,250,000, = about Mex. \$7,222,222 HEAD OFFICE: 60 Wall Street, New York. LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C. LONDON BANKERS: BANK OF ENGLAND. NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED. THE CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED. BRANCHES and AGENTS all over the World.

The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives deposits, Current Accounts at the Rate of 4 per cent. Fixed Deposits at the following rates: For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 " 4 " " " For 3 " 3 " " " No. 9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong. W. M. ANDERSON, Manager. Hongkong, 8th April, 1908. [204]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Interest on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balance \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum. For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [19]

NEDERLANDSCH-INDISCHE HANDELSBANK.

(NETHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK). ESTABLISHED 1863. Authorized Capital Fl. 15,000,000 (£1,250,000) Subscribed Capital Fl. 12,378,100 (£1,031,500) Reserve Fund Fl. 2,754,338.09 (£229,533) HEAD OFFICE: AMSTERDAM. HEAD AGENTS: BATAVIA. LONDON BANKERS THE WILLIAMS DRAGONS BANK, SWISS BANK CORP. BRANCHES and AGENTS all over the World.

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THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER). Capital Subscribed (paid up) ... Yen 5,000,000 Reserve Fund ... Yen 1,710,000 HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEI, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS: Amoy, Swatow, Canton, Nagasaki, Fookchow, Keelung, Shanghai, Tainan, Tamsui, Yokohama.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 5, Des Vaux Road. Interest allowed on Current Accounts Deposits received on terms which may be had on application. D. TCHOW, Manager. Hongkong, 9th March, 1910. [1362]

BANKS

THE MERCHANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000 SUBSCRIBED ... 1,125,000 PAID-UP ... 562,000 RESERVE FUND ... 250,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 12 months ... 4 per cent. For 6 " ... 3 1/2 per cent. For 3 " ... 2 1/2 per cent. EVAN ORMISTON, Manager. Hongkong, 27th April, 1909. [21]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... Yen 24,000,000 RESERVE FUND ... 16,260,000 HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS: Tokyo, London, Osaka, Nagasaki, San Francisco, Lyons, New York, Shanghai, Honolulu, Hankow, Peking, Port Arthur, Kobe, Ching Chuan, Mukden.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. On fixed deposits for 12 months 4 1/2 per annum. " " " 6 " 3 1/2 " " " " 3 " 2 1/2 " TAKAO TAKAMICHI, Manager. Hongkong, 14th March, 1901. [398]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... \$15,000,000 RESERVE FUNDS—STERLING \$1,500,000 at 2 1/2 = \$15,000,000 SILVER ... \$15,500,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$30,500,000 COURT OF DIRECTORS: G. BALLOCH, Esq.—Chairman. ROBERT SHEWAN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman. F. H. ARMSTRONG, Esq. F. Lieb, Esq. J. W. BAXTER, Esq. G. H. Medhurst, Esq. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson E. Sheller, Esq. C. R. LEONHARDT, Esq. H. A. SLOAN, Esq. S. A. Levy, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH. MANAGER: Shanghai—E. R. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON CREDIT AND INVESTMENT BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the daily balance. ON FIXED DEPOSITS. For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum. J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 29th March, 1910. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853. HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... £1,200,000 RESERVE FUND ... £1,575,000 RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS ... £1,200,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balances. On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent. for 6 " 3 1/2 " for 3 " 2 1/2 " W. M. DICKSON, Manager. Hongkong, 6th April, 1909. [107]

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID UP ... Sh. Tels 7,500,000 HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Berlin, Hamburg, Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Tsinanfu, Tangshan, Kobe, Yokohama, Singapore.

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LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SON: THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT DIREKTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and exchange business transacted. A. KOEHN, Manager. Hongkong, 4th December, 1907. [22]

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Because he has benefited so tremendously by taking Phosferine, Mr. Francis Warder, head keeper of the Eddystone Lighthouse, now realises that until he took "the Greatest of all Tonics," the best time of life was slipping away in ill-health. Disorders came so gradually that he was resigned to consider it natural to be getting a bit stiff, not sleeping soundly, or eating so heartily, and somehow not able to enjoy things.

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A PROVEN REMEDY FOR

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Tempt you to Eat and Feeds you.

Whether at home, at the office, in the restaurant, or in the theatre, a cup of Bovril is easily and quickly procured.

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CLETEAS is a MELISSA and MINT cordial which surpasses all others by its purity and faultless preparation. To be taken on a lump of sugar.
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AGENTS: CALDERBICK, MACGREGOR & Co., HONGKONG.

HONGKONG TO CHANGING CROSS VIA SIBERIA.

As so many have asked me concerning my journey home last year, I thought it might be useful to detail an account of the itinerary. This will also be useful for comparison sake, as undoubtedly are long the journey will be considerably shortened both as to time and distance, not to mention the Kowloon to Peking route via Hankow, the new Peking to Kalgan line will be long be linked on to the Vladivostok to Moscow route. I am informed that the junction will be at Kharlar, and for those who wish to visit St. Petersburg Russian trains are already running from Tobolsk to St. Petersburg.

Briefly, we left Hongkong on May 4th, 1909, at 1.45 p.m., and arrived at Chang Cross at 10 p.m. on May 24th.

Out of that time we had 36 hours at Shanghai, 16 hours at Dairen, 5 hours at Moscow, and 12 hours at St. Petersburg, roughly, three days, so that had it been possible to make all the connections the journey, even in 1909, would have been reduced to 17 days.

It was a wet close day on the 4th May when we left Hongkong on board the Pacific Mail s.s. Siberia for Shanghai. Notwithstanding the foggy weather we arrived at Woosung early on the morning of the 7th inst., boarded the tender at 9 a.m. and reached the Bund at 10 a.m. We took up our quarters at the Astor House Hotel, and were able to see the off-day of the Spring Race Meeting on the 8th inst., when John Johnston won the St. Leger, and very closely on the good old China pony Cotswold. The temperature, which was about 72 deg. Fah. in Hongkong, was nearer the nineties at Shanghai that afternoon.

At 10 p.m. that night we boarded the s.s. Kobe Maru and left shortly afterwards for Dairen. On the 9th inst. it became much colder; there was a distinct fall in the barometer and the temperature dropped to 52 deg. Fah.

We arrived at Dairen at 7 p.m. on the 10th inst.; it was raining, but carriages were waiting the boat, and we were soon at Yamoto's Hotel, where we spent the night.

May 11th. Left Dairen at 11.15 a.m. by the Southern Manchuria Railway for Kwantung, a distance of 438 miles. This line practically passes through the battlefields of the late Russo-Japanese War. On the evening of that day we passed Liangyang (206 miles), this is the oldest town in Manchuria, as is shown by the Lamas tower, which is over 1600 years old. In the battle of Liangyang, fought on 30th August 4th Sept., 1904, General Karopkin effected his masterly retreat.

Sha Ho (231 miles). During the long winter months of 1904-5, the two opposing armies were facing each other, the river Sha Ho between them, till the decisive battle of Mukden was fought.

Mukden (247 miles). Here we were joined by the passengers from Peking who had travelled by the Great Northern Railway via North China via Tientsin and Shanghai.

May 12th. Arrived at Kwantung (Chang-chun) at 4.30 a.m. This town is located in the south-west of the Kirin province and forms the junction of the Russian and the Southern Manchuria Railways.

We changed here into the Russian train for Harbin and left at 6 a.m. This is a very unpleasant line, the carriages are very inferior to those on the Southern Manchuria Railway, and it was overcrowded, many of the first-class passengers having to be content with second class accommodation. The only refreshments we could get this day was at Chien Pong Pa, where we had a bowl of Russian broth, "boosh" they call it, I believe, anyhow it was very comforting.

We were thankful to arrive at Harbin at 4 p.m. We had expected a two to three hours' stop here, but when we arrived the Moscow train was already in the station awaiting us. It was a rare hurry-scurry to get our tickets visé and our baggage transferred, as the train left at 4.30 p.m.

In the rush several of the passengers lost some of their baggage, one lady being particularly unfortunate in losing all hers.

One must remember to allow for the difference in the Russian time, otherwise one night will get left here.

May 13th. Awoke at 4 a.m. to find it quite cold, snow lying on the ground. We had during the night ascended some 4,000 feet. At 8 a.m. we were at a 5,200 feet altitude, according to my aneroid, and the temperature in the train was 60 deg. Fah.

We arrived at Kharlar at 10.45 a.m. There was a stop here to allow of us taking some exercise; it was very cold, temperature 52 deg. Fah., and a keen wind blowing. This afternoon at 3 p.m. we arrived at the border town between Russian and Chinese Siberia; here the first Customs examination of the baggage in the guard's van was made.

One unfortunate American traveller who had some Japanese walking sword-sticks was considerably chivvied; eventually the sticks were placed in one of his large trunks, which had to be sealed and locked and must not on any account be opened before he had left Russian territory. Here the clock was put back 1½ hours.

May 14th. At 7 a.m. we were at an altitude of 3,700 ft.; the water was all frozen over, the country covered with pine forests. Yesterday we saw plenty of grazing dogs and some pheasants and deer. It was very cold. At noon we stopped at a place called Khilok for exercise; snow was now falling. In the afternoon we were gradually descending, and at 6 p.m. were only some 2,100 ft. high. Most of the afternoon we had been traversing an uncultivated plateau with pine trees here and there. Just before dinner there was a jolt and the train slowed down. We afterwards ascertained that we had practically decapitated an unfortunate drunken peasant who had wandered on to the line. At midnight there was the second Customs examination.

May 15th. Up at 4 a.m. to find snow lying on the ground. We were now approaching Lake Baikal.

When daylight broke it was a lovely sight. We were skirting the lake, which was still partially frozen over; the surrounding mountains were capped with snow, and this with the sun shining on them formed a picture never to be forgotten. The fir trees were just showing their young spring shoots.

At 9.15 a.m. we arrived at Irkutsk, where we changed trains. This is a very simple process: you just step across the platform from one train to the other. Here we were only some 1,400 feet above sea level. We had time here to buy some caviare and precious stones. This train was very much better than the one from Harbin, e.g., the lavatories were much more clean and sweet.

During the day we ascended again to some 2,500 feet; country much the same: pine forests, &c., with snow still lying on the ground. At night the country was lit up by a large forest fire.

May 16th. At 10.30 a.m. we stopped at a station for some 15 minutes; wind quite cold; still inclined to snow. Took a photo of a group of Russian peasants. This evening at 7 p.m. we arrived at Krasnoyarsk; we were here now only some 500 feet up. This is a town with some 40,000 inhabitants. After this the line again ascended to some 1,500 ft. The country passed through to-day was slightly inhabited; more agricultural, not so many fir trees.

May 17th. Taija passed at 10.30 a.m. This is the junction for Tomsk. Rain-fall during the previous night, much snow still lying on the ground though, country very bleak. Temperature in compartment 70 deg. F. Evening about 7 p.m. passed Obi on the Yenisei river.

May 18th. Omsk at 9 a.m. This is another large town, of some 55,000 inhabitants. We stayed here for a while and bought some bracelets, pendants, &c.; about 2 p.m. stopped at a small station and bought some large marmosets. To-day the first mishap occurred—viz., the fusing of one of the axle bearings of our carriage. We were now passing through an agricultural district with very good soil.

May 19th. During the previous night we had crossed the Ural Mountains. At 9 a.m. we were still some 1,800 ft. high. Much prettier country now; we were again delayed here by the now axle bearing getting overheated. The country passed through to-day resembled one more of Switzerland.

Delayed again from 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. to allow of a new wheel being fixed to our carriage. At 7.30 we were practically down to sea level, being only at a 150 ft. altitude.

May 20th. At breakfast this morning heavy snow was 9 hours late; expect therefore to reach Moscow about 5 p.m. on Friday (21st). It was raining during the night, but decidedly warmer. Yesterday we passed Tobolsk. This place is a junction where trains can be taken direct to St. Petersburg.

At 3.45 p.m. passed Samara; still raining. 1,400 metres long. This day train after train passed us, going East, full of emigrants. These are employed during the summer to gather the harvest, and they return before the winter. As many as twenty such trains must have passed us. This evening traversed a country full of flowers, at each of the stations bunches of lilies of the valley could be bought for a few copecks.

May 21st. Colder this morning. Arrived at Moscow at 4 p.m., too late to catch the connecting train through Warsaw for England.

It was raining and very cold. As one of our party was ill three of us decided to take the night train to St. Petersburg and catch the Nord Express from there on Saturday night. Accordingly we went to the Wagon Lits office, booked our tickets for St. Petersburg and afterwards visited the Kremlin. Moscow is a beautiful city and well worth staying at for a couple of days or more. Left Moscow by the night train for St. Petersburg, where we

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arrived at 9.20 a.m. on the morning of the 22nd May. As this was St. Nicolas Day, all the banks, &c., were closed. However, we spent the day in seeing the sights, visiting the Cathedral D'Ysaac, the Winter Palace, the Fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, and the Marble Palace. We returned to the Hotel D'Angleterre, where we were very well treated, by 4 p.m. It was very cold, temperature 3 deg. Réaumur.

We left St. Petersburg at 6 p.m., travelling by the Nord Express, which is an excellent train, direct to Ostend.

May 23rd, at 11 a.m., we crossed the German frontier at Wirballen, where another Customs examination took place. We here changed trains.

Königsberg was passed at 1 p.m., and here we had a night of the Baltic Sea. We passed through Berlin at 10.45 p.m.

May 24th, Cologne at 8 a.m., we here crossed the Rhine. At 1.55 a.m. we crossed the Belgian frontier at Harbathal, and then passed through the Ardennes. Very pretty country between this and Liege, where we arrived at 10 a.m. Here one of our party who was going on to Paris left us. The country was lovely, the lilacs, chestnuts and fruit trees all being in blossom. We arrived at Brussels at 11.27 a.m.; shortly after we passed through Bruges and reached Ostend at 1 p.m.

We boarded the s.s. Ville de Dover at 2.30 p.m. and arrived at Dover at 7.30 p.m. and trained to Charing Cross, where we arrived at 10 p.m., just 52 hours from the time we left St. Petersburg.

As regards expenses, counting the Japanese yen and Russian roubles as dollars, they were as follows:—

1 Passport	...	7.80
1 First class ticket per P.M. s.s. Siberia	...	66.00
Hongkong to Shanghai	...	66.00
1 First class ticket per s.s. Kobe Maru	...	40.00
Harbin, including sleeping berth and express fare	£ 4. 15. 0	
1 Second class ticket Harbin-Moscow per International	...	2. 5. 0
Train de Luxe	...	2. 5. 0
	@ 1/9 3/8	=291.93
1 First class ticket Moscow to St. Petersburg	...	20.42
1 First class ticket "Nord Express" St. Petersburg to London	...	150.77
		\$75.92

Obtain sufficient yen to pay expenses over Southern Manchuria Railway, also get sufficient rouble money to take you through Russia. We obtained 200 each at the Russo-Chinese Bank in Shanghai. Do not rely on a letter of credit, as you may reach a town on a holiday, a Saint's day or a Sunday and have to wait over and thereby miss the connection.

You will not get any refreshments, excepting "boosh," on the Russian line between Kwantung-chow (Chang-Chun) and Harbin, so take some food with you. At Moscow the National Hotel or the Hotel Metropole are very good; porters and bus meet all trains.

Take some large bath towels and a big sponge and use the lavatory as a bath room. You must also take your own soap and some disinfectant, preferably a bottle of Jeyes' fluid.

J. M. ATKINSON.

Hongkong, April 6th, 1910.

LONDON AND CHINA SYNDICATE.

Reuter's Agency learns that through the intervention of the British Foreign Office an agreement has been reached between the Chinese Government and the London and China Syndicate whereby China, for the sum of £52,000, will buy back from the syndicate the concession which it obtained for the working of the Anhui-Tungkuangshan Mines.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth in their weekly share report dated April 8th state:—

Our local market has continued active throughout the past week, and advances on last quotations have, in many instances, again been established. Rubbers continue to absorb the chief attention of operators, and in the earlier part of the week a large business was transacted at hardening rates. An easier feeling has since set in, in sympathy with a quicker London market, and, in many cases, lower quotations, due probably to profit taking prior to the next settlement, which is fixed for the 15th instant. The latest quotation for Blue Band Para Rubber is 12 1/2 per lb. Exchange on London closes at 1/9 T. T. and on Shanghai at 74 1/2 T. T.

BANKS.—Sales of Hongkong have been put through at \$950 and \$950, and later at \$975, which is the closing selling rate. London, per Reuter, quotes \$89 10.0. Nationals are still enquired for at \$76.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have again been done at \$910 and more shares are wanted. Canteens are steady at \$170, and in request. There are buyers in the North of North China at \$115, and of Yangtze at \$230.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong have sold and are in further request at \$337 1/2. China are firm with buyers at \$109.

SHIPPING.—Charter, Canton and Macao are neglected with probable sellers at \$39. Indos have improved considerably and a fair business has been transacted at \$69 to \$75, the market closing with probable buyers at the latter rate. China and Manilla are wanted at the improved rate of \$84, and Douglas at \$82. Shell Transport, after advancing to 98/- are reported easier at 96/- with sellers. London's last quotation per Reuter is 96 1/2.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have advanced to \$167 which sales and buyers. Lumsans continue on offer at \$23.

MINING.—Charterages and Chinese Engineering are unchanged and without business. Rubies have been looked at \$8 and \$8 1/2.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are firmer with buyers at \$58. No business is reported in Shanghai Docks, New Amoy Docks, or Kowloon Wharves, which remain as last quoted. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have improved to \$125, at which sales in the North are reported.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands close steady with probable sellers at \$11. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$15 and \$16. Humphreys Estates at \$84 after sales at \$81. Hongkong Hotels are quiet at \$107 and \$108 for the old and new issues, respectively, and West Point at \$42. Shanghai Lands are firmer at \$14 1/2.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have improved to \$144, and Hongkong to \$63, the latter with sales and further buyers. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged and without business.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China-Borneo are in request at the improved rate of \$11, Dairy Farms at \$13, Pak Tai at \$15 and \$16, respectively. Ropes at \$21, A. Philippines at \$11, Watsons at \$5, and China Lights at \$54. Green Islands have improved to \$74, at which there are sellers. Langkats are firmer in the North with sales at \$14 1/2.

RUBBERS.—Anglo-Malaya have been done at 35/6 to 37/6, but also easier with sellers in London at 35/6. Ayer Pande have been looked at \$22 (8 1/2), Changkat Serangs at \$24, \$25, \$30, and later at \$29 (8 1/2). Ghentals at \$4 (8 1/2), and United States at \$4 and \$4 (8 1/2). London Ventures have been a large account at 11/9 to 13/-, but can now be obtained probably at 12/-.

Alagars have been sold locally and to London at 9/-.

Meritimas have been done at 8/5.

Sumatra Paras at 17/6 to 20/-, Indragiris at \$49 (8 1/2), United Serangs at 180/- down to 170/-, Ledbury at 120/- and Batu Tiga at 117/6, the latest quotation for the latter being 140/-.

Sellers, Castleside, are wanted in London at 115/-, Indragiris at 59/-, Sumatras at 10/-, premium and Serangs at 40/-.

Ledbury are obtainable in London at 115/-, Highland and Lowland at 180/-, and Sheldriffs at 90/-.

Quotations are as follows:—

THE RUBBER BOOM—AND AFTER.

CONSIDERATIONS WHICH SHOULD BE WEIGHED BY INVESTORS.

The following letter to the Editor of The Financial Times will doubtless receive consideration from those interested in the rubber boom. It is a very timely contribution to the rubber boom, and is the first of a series of warnings. The rubber boom has been started, and it deserves the more interest, as it stands in such striking contrast to the indiscriminate eulogies published by the daily Press upon the same topic. Having been closely connected with the rubber industry for over 20 years, I should be glad if you will afford me the opportunity of supplementing your comments by some additional facts. There is a great deal of other simple article which the relations between demand and supply have less effect upon the market value of the commodity. The reason for this assertion, which may seem paradoxical at first, is to be found when the application of rubber for the rubber industry is compared with that of other staple articles. Take cotton, for example. A pound weight of raw cotton will approximately produce a pound of manufactured cotton goods of greater value than the raw cotton. The same is true of the textile and the processes it has to go through, but it will always be a pound of manufactured cotton goods. The proportion of raw rubber to the finished article varies from practically all to 90 per cent, thus the industry can, within reasonable limits of course, counteract the adverse effect which inflated prices would otherwise have upon the consumption of the commodity. Apart from this, certain grades of rubber are quite unsuitable for specific purposes, and it is therefore quite conceivable that the quantity of the annual crop may be of less importance upon the market values than its composition; deductions as to future price levels drawn from an increasing demand for rubber goods may therefore prove absolutely fallacious. The principal factor assisting the sporadic inflation of rubber prices has been the comparatively small surplus of stock at the end of each crop. The control during the months intervening between each season enabled the holder to convert normal conditions into a shortage with consequent famine prices; its release during the period of heavy arrivals producing a decline, generally established the price for the current crop, and thereby not only facilitated the acquisition, but also the absorption by the industry. It is, however, a great mistake to assume that more ample supplies would be greedily pounced upon by the industry. In this respect we need only examine the effect which an increase of imports of but 5,000 to 10,000 tons of a money value of about \$200,000 to \$300,000 in 1907-8 had upon the price level, which fell nearly 50 per cent. In consequence, Motor Tyres undoubtedly account for an increased demand of rubber, but not by far to the extent to which it is claimed. It is generally forgotten that textile fabrics, mineral ingredients, a risky and therefore costly process of manufacture, and a

still more costly organization for advertising and selling the product, represent the larger proportion in the cost of tyres, all these items having no relation to rubber and its market value. On the other hand, the annual production of raw rubber has risen almost proportionately to the growing demand, and though every now and then new uses have been found for rubber formerly important branches of the industry are in the descendant, as, for instance, railway buffers, formerly made of rubber, now replaced by steel springs, waterproof garments, partly superseded by rain and shower proofs, manufactured with rubber, the reduction of rubber consumption for cycle tyres, both in quantity and raw rubber admixture in the compounds. From this it will be clearly seen that the power of absorption by the rubber industry is narrowly restricted, and that the key to the situation lies in the hands of those who control the surplus stock of wild Brazilian rubber. Up to about 18 months ago this stock was controlled by the rubber trade, as the Brazilian intermediary houses were small concerns depending upon outside financial aid. This state of affairs has been changed by the enormous appreciation in value of the Brazilian crop, which, with approximately similar quantities, has increased from about \$11,000,000 in 1907 to nearly \$35,000,000 for the present year. The Brazilian intermediary houses have amassed huge fortunes, and the extraordinary situation to-day—during this year's heavy receipts prices have been rising—must be ascribed to the fact that the rubber trade has lost the control of the market, that the formerly "small men" in Para, Manaus, &c., are now in a position to hold back stocks outside aid sufficient quantities of rubber to maintain the present absurd and top-heavy values. As soon as this stock is released, and particularly if it is held over till next crop and thus swells its figures, an enormous decline in prices would be the result. Your reference to a depletion of forests can only apply to the lower reaches of the Amazon River; the enormous basin composed of the higher Amazon and its affluents is practically one vast forest, the outer fringes of which have barely been touched. Lower and not higher prices stimulate the gathering of rubber in the Brazil. This is explained by the fact that the rubber gatherers receive advances in kind, which they repay to the intermediary in rubber; thus a decline in values is accentuated generally by more ample supplies. Under such conditions the prosperity of plantation ventures is necessarily and narrowly circumscribed, and it would be a fatal mistake to gauge their prospects upon the profits made on the present price level of indiarubber. The average price of raw rubber for twenty years is barely over 3s. per lb.; particularly with larger yields from plantation rubber, estimates should not be based on a higher level. It would be interesting to establish the value per lb. of rubber sold in relation to dividends recently declared by several plantation companies, unless these dividends disclose a net profit of 5s. 6d. per lb. on the production of rubber, it is doubtful whether even these few companies would be able to earn dividends at all when the market has once more returned to a stable level. While, however, it has been shown that the laws of supply and demand do only to a limited degree rule the value of indiarubber, the same laws apply in the strictest sense of the word to the labour market. Irrespective of the market price of rubber, increased yields by the plantations will undoubtedly affect the question of cost of labour, and this problem—quite apart from the general hazards of tropical ventures, for which, in my opinion, the provision of working capital in most companies is entirely inadequate—should be faced and weighed when considering the value of plantation shares for the investor. I am, &c.,

Woking, Surrey.

INDIARUBBER.

CHURCH SERVICES.

PEAK CHURCH—Holy Communion 8 a.m. every Sunday.

UNION CHURCH, Kennedy Road.—Minister: Rev. G. H. Hickling. 11 a.m. Worship, Hymns, 278, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

Sunday Service 10.15 a.m. Rev. T. W. Schofield, M.A., and 6 p.m. Rev. J. A. Baker.

Tuesday 8 p.m. Wesley Guild Devotional Meeting.

SARATON AND SOLDIERS' HOME, Arsenal Street.—Sunday, 8 p.m. P. S. A. 8 p.m. Gospel Meeting conducted by Mr. J. H. Hickling. Monday 8 p.m. Fellowship Meeting. Wednesday 9 p.m. Prayer to Questions. Rev. J. A. Baker. Saturday 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—10th April, 1910, 2nd Sunday, after Easter. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) Responses, Festival, Venite, Parant, Psalm, Magnificat, Gloria, Hallelujah, Te Deum, Woodward, Sanctus and Turso, Benedictus, Langdon, Hymns, 125, 280 and 292. N.B.—Psalm 60, Verses 1, 3, 4, and 14 in unison. Psalm 51, Verses 1 and 16, in unison. Psalm 52, Verses 1 and 2, in unison. Evensong (6.45 p.m.) Responses, Psalm, Psalm of the 10th evening, Magnificat, New Testament, Goss in A. Anthem, "God Who made earth and heaven." Lobe, Hymns, 304 and 138; Sevenfold Amen; Voluntary, Canticles—"Marching." March in C. Rooton-Claik. N.B.—Psalm 53, Verses 1, 2, 7, and 8 in unison. Psalm 54, Verses 1, 2 and 6 in unison. Psalm 55, Verses 1, 5, 9, 17, 20, 23 and G. P. in unison.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.—2nd Sunday, after Easter, 10th April 1910. Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Morning Service at 11 a.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. British School. Evening Service at 6 p.m. Services on Sundays are:—Holy Communion at 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at 8 a.m. Morning Service at 11 a.m. Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. Children's Service on 1st Sundays of every alternate month at 3 p.m.

THE "TOP HAT" IN THE EAST.

Although his successor is not yet known, Lord Minto's departure from India towards the end of the year, says the Times of Ceylon, is taken for granted, and the Indian Press is beginning to say the pleasant things which are customary on the eve of such partings. If we are to accept the view of a Calcutta sporting newspaper the greatest achievement of Lord Minto has been his discouragement of the top-hat! This is hardly the kind of distinction which we may expect in due course to find graven on brass or marble, but there is no doubt about it that by banning the top-hat whenever possible the Viceroy added greatly to the comfort of a large number of the most estimable people. We read that "other Viceroys have had an unwholesome love for the Indian top-hat, and have even been known to wear it at garden parties and cricket matches (and always at race meetings), but Lord Minto has made a sturdy and by no means unsuccessful effort to squash the thing, and for this—if for nothing else—will remember him in his prayers! He has not only refused to allow the top-hat to have a solemn air, but has gone so far as to have a solemn, unsightly, uncomfortable and oft-times badly ill-conditioned and uncoloured top-hat



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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTA- TIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$975, sal. \$50.
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$75, buyers
Bank of China, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Bank, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$11, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, buyers
China Insurance, Limited	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$8, sales
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 144.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$63, sal. & buy.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 61.
Laon-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 70.
Boy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 300.
DOCKERS AND WHARVES.				
Hongkong & Wharves Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$59, sellers
Hongkong & Wharves Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$58, buyers
Hongkong & Wharves Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$60	\$60	\$9, sellers
Hongkong & Wharves Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 82.
Hongkong & Wharves Co., Ltd.	36,900	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 125.
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.				
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$7, sellers
HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LIMITED.				
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	\$10	\$205.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$204, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$107, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	\$25	\$83, buyers
Hongkong Rope-Manufacturing Co., Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$160, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$170, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$109, buyers
China Merchants Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$33.33	\$25	\$92, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$50	\$50	\$37, sal. & buy.
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 115, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$910, sal. & buy.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$220, Nom.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$101, sellers
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$84, buyers
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 107.
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$42, sellers
MINE.				
Societe Francaise des Charbons du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Ramb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	1/10	\$15, sales
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$15, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$11, buyers
SUGAR.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$167, buyers
Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$29, sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$84, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$32, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$30.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$25	all	75, sal. £26.10
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	\$1	96.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$26, sellers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$14, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$25, buyers
STOCKS AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$10.
Watkins, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$3.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$4, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, buyers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$10	\$12, sellers
	100 fders	\$10	\$10	\$300.
	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$9, sellers
RUBBERS.				
Singapore and Johore				\$30 (Str.)
Batavia				\$250 (Sta.)
Batavia				\$75 (Sta.)
Batavia				9/.
Batavia				35/.
Batavia				115/.
Batavia				280/.
Batavia				170/.
Batavia				180/.
Batavia				10/- prem.
Batavia				250/.
Batavia				115/.
Batavia				58/.
Batavia				40/.
Batavia				90/.
Batavia				180/.
Batavia				160/.
Batavia				100/.
Batavia				45/- prem.
Batavia				12/.
Batavia				20/.
Batavia				8/6
Batavia				145/.
Loans.				
Chinese Imperial 1885	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
	Tls. 767,900	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Far.

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TO-DAY.

8 p.m.—Annual Football Dinner of The Hongkong Football Club at the Hongkong Hotel.
9 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Tuesday, 12th April—Meeting of Magistracy, at Colonial Secretary's Office, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, 12th April—Entertainment—"Mice and Men" at the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, 9 p.m.
Wednesday, 13th April—Thirty-Seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Noon.
Wednesday, 13th April—Forty-Fourth Yearly Ordinary Meeting of China Trade Insurance Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.
Thursday, 14th April—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Property, at Auction Room by Mr. Geo. P. Lamart, noon.
Saturday, 16th April—Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club, 12.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 20th April—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Property at Auction Room, by Mr. Geo. P. Lamart, noon.
Thursday, 21st April—Twenty-third Ordinary General Meeting of The Yangtze Insurance Association Ltd., Shanghai, 4 p.m.
Thursday, 21st April—Extraordinary General Meeting of The Yangtze Insurance Association Ltd., Shanghai, 4.15 p.m.
Saturday, 30th April—Second Annual Dinner of Kowloon Cricket Club, at Hongkong Hotel.

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